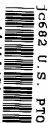


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Sir:

With reference to the filing in the United States Patent and Trademark
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entitled: SIGNAL-PROCESSING CIRCUIT, AND RECORDING
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Small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9(f) is
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The following are enclosed:

☒ Specification

☒ 31 Claims(s) (including 4 independent claim(s))

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☒ 72 Sheet(s) of Drawings

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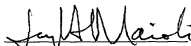
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